

# **TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION REPORT TO THE PEOPLE**

## **BRIEFING PAPER**

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### **PURPOSE:**

To update Commission members on information gathered about the 2002 report to the people.

### **ACTION/OUTCOME:**

Direction on how to proceed with preparation of the 2002 report.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The Transportation Commission released its "*Transportation at Work: 2000*" report to the people last year. Since then, a new Secretary has arrived at WSDOT and the department has increased its focus on project delivery and accountability. The discussion will review an outline for the proposed publication.

### **DISCUSSION:**

Last year's report, *Transportation at Work, 2000*, had several sections covering a variety of topics. The purpose of the forthcoming report will be to focus on project delivery and accountability, two critical themes in building public understanding of the department's capabilities and challenges .

#### Proposed Table of Contents

- Message from the Commission, signed by the Chair
- Message from the Secretary
- Transportation funding data from "Overwhelmed Transportation System"
- Project Delivery - on-time/on budget performance
- Operations Initiative – to reduce congestion related to incidents
- Accountability and efficiency measures rolled up from the Gray Notebook and WSDOT web site
- New Budget Format – Operating and Capital
- WSDOT Awards and Recognitions

Other issues

Length – Shorter than last year's 36 pages  
Suitable for web and print distribution  
Four color document to effectively communicate via graphs and charts  
Distribution and quantities  
Budget

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Gain sense of Commission concurrence in the direction to proceed. For further information, contact: Linda Mullen, Communications Director, 360.705.7076 or 260.440.4704